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Subject: Settlement toothless

Dear DOJ;

I'm disappointed by the proposed settlement. It does nothing, means nothing.

What the industry really needs is for Microsoft to stop undermining industry standards.

Microsoft extensions to industry standards are the biggest threat to competition and to a level playing field.

In addition, DOJ should insist that Microsoft publish certain file formats -- notably Word and Excel -- that are now so utterly dominant that it's impossible to build a product without interoperating with them.

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